

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-10 remain pending in this application.

Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has required an election between the following species:

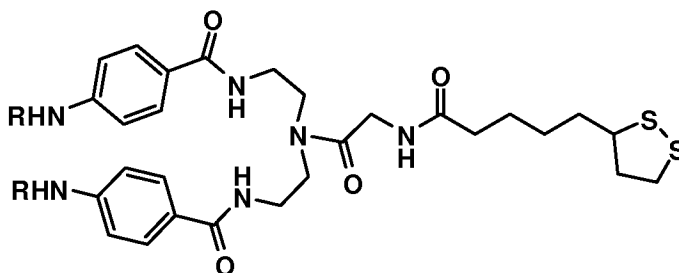
1. a single species of a "linker compound" represented by formula (1), including an exact definition of each and every substitution on the base molecule, wherein a single member at each substitution group or moiety is elected and the elected species must read on the compound from which it depends;

2. a single species of a "sugar chain;" and

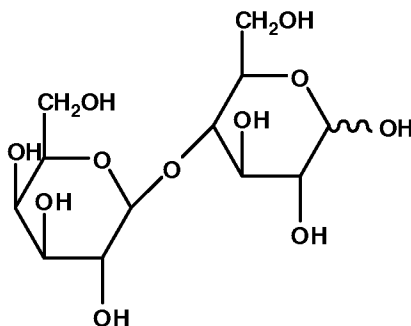
3. a single species of an "aromatic amino group."

Applicant hereby provisionally elects the following for continued examination, *without traverse*, for initial examination purposes:

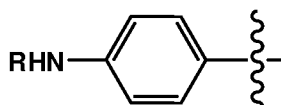
1. a linker compound wherein each R represents the sugar chain shown below in 2:



2. a sugar chain:



3. a aromatic group wherein each R represents the sugar chain shown above in 2:



Applicant submits that pending Claims 1, 2, 4 and 6-10, read upon the elected compound. Applicant's election is made without prejudice. As noted by the Examiner, upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to not more than a reasonable number of species in addition to the elected species, provided that all claims to each additional species are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.146. Applicants expressly reserve the right under 35 USC § 121 to file a divisional applications directed to the nonelected subject matter.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal form is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing **247322003800**. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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